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Office of Commissioner Brandon Presley MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NORTHERN DISTRICT

Presley Signs Order Approving \$90 Million Solar Facility in DeSoto County

Walls, Mississippi (May 17, 2022) – Today, Public Service Commissioner Brandon Presley officially signed the order to approve the construction and operation of a 90-million-dollar solar electric generating facility in DeSoto County. Commissioner Presley was joined by local officials, representatives from Clearway Energy, and state legislators to mark this momentous occasion.

The solar facility will be owned and operated by Wildflower Solar, a subsidiary of Clearway Energy. Construction is expected to begin later this year and will provide 300 jobs at the height of construction and 3 permanent jobs. This facility will bring over \$400,000 annually in property taxes to DeSoto County.

This facility has also entered into a virtual purchase agreement with Toyota's Blue Springs facility therefore helping Toyota meet their green energy goals while still purchasing energy from TVA.

"The free market approach to renewable energy for Toyota combined with the benefits this facility brings to DeSoto County makes this a win win. I am proud to be joined by local and state officials as well as representatives from Clearwater as I officially sign the order approving this facility," said Commissioner Presley.



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